

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Kenya!

We are now in our second month here and things are going well. Thank you for your support and prayers as we organize food distributions for 8,400 households.

To help you get an idea of what we've been up to, we thought we'd show you some photos that highlight the food distribution process that we have been overseeing. We hope you enjoy them!



2) The committee members and distribution assistants come early on the day of distribution and organize the food into piles -- five bags of maize, one bag of split peas on top, and five containers of oil with salt on top of each one.



1) The food is delivered by trucks to a designated warehouse where it is off-loaded by the beneficiaries and villagers in the area.



3) Once the beneficiaries have arrived, some having walked 5-10 km, the distribution is opened with prayer and the coordinator explains the Canadian Food Grains Bank/CRWRC project. Many times, a message is given encouraging the people to share, as commanded by Jesus in the Bible. Since the donors have shared to provide them with food, they also should share with others in need.

PRAISE POINTS:

- Many families are receiving food and are sharing with others in need!
- We are so thankful for our translators and other staff.
- The food distributions are going smoothly and orderly.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for adequate rains, so that the January harvest can be sufficient and families will be able to grow and eat their own food.
- For safe travels and safe food distributions.
- For the families who still need food aid.

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4.) A committee member calls out the beneficiary names in groups of five. Each beneficiary is given a yellow card to sign to acknowledge that they are receiving the food.



5.) The group of five beneficiaries receive their food together. They share the 50 kg bag of split peas so that each family receives 10 kg.



6.) During the distribution we visit with the people through our translator and driver, Pastor John, and we assist in any way we can.

Many recipients express their thankfulness to us and to God for the relief given, and yet there are always more who could use some food as well. The difficult part is the limit of the food, despite helping 8,400 households at an average of eight people per household. Please continue to pray for those in need and that the rains may come so they can grow their own food.

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